

REMARKS

Claims 46-75 are currently pending in this application and are subject to a restriction requirement.

Response to Restriction Requirement

According to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant is required to elect a single invention as set forth in Groups I and II:

Group I: Claims 46-72, which according to the Office Action, are drawn to an emulsion; and

Group II: Claims 73-75, which according to the Office Action, are drawn to a method of making..

Applicant elects Group I, claims 46-72 for examination.

Election of Species

According to the Office Action, the application includes claims directed to more than one species of the generic invention. See Office Action at 6. The species identified by the Office Action are listed below with Applicant's elections in bold type:

a) *Emulsion*: Applicant must elect if the inner inverse emulsion comprises a liquid or solid phase as recited in claim 46;

Applicants elect: liquid phase (O) (claim 46)

b) *Active Material*: Applicant needs to select what active material is made of as recited in claims 48, 49, 51, and 52;

Applicants elect: the organosilicon material is an oil of a polyorganosiloxane (claim 49)

c) *Dispersant*: Applicant needs to select what the dispersant and or stabilizer is formed from as recited in claims 58 and 59;

Applicants elect: at least one non-ionic hydrophilic amphiphilic polymer (claim 59)

d) *What Active Material is*: Applicant must select what the active material is used for as recited in claims 67-71;

Applicants elect: “care or detergent agent for articles made of textile fibers” (claim 67)

e) *Solid Matrix*: Should applicant elect the emulsion to contain a solid form, applicant needs to elect specifically what the emulsion is made of as recited in claim 72.

Applicants elect: solid matrix (M) is made of “copolymers of ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid or anhydride and of ethylenically unsaturated nonionic monomer” (claim 72)

Claims 46-50, 53-69, and 72 read on the elected species.

Conclusion

Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance; notice to that effect is hereby solicited. Should any issues remain to be discussed in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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